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SUBJECT: Proposed National Security Council Intelligence
Directive No. 8.

1. It is suggested that this directive be broken into two distinct parts: Foreign Document Exploitation and Exploitation of the Foreign Press and Periodicals. This could be accomplished by issuing two separate directives or by paragraphing as in the proposed Directive No. 8 and inserting a separate heading for paragraph 2. The proposed wording of paragraph 2 is satisfactory.

2. The wording of paragraph 1 in respect to the exploitation of captured documents is believed to be too inflexible and does not take into account the changed conditions under which we would be operating per force in case of active hostilities. While paragraph 1 fits the conditions as they exist today, it does not provide for the initial and immediate needs of a theater commander and the military departments.

3. It is requested that the IAC meet to consider the following recommendations with respect to changes in proposed NSCID No. 8:

a. Change paragraph 1 to read as follows:

"The Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force shall be responsible for the collection, initial exploitation, and dissemination of captured documents. Upon the completion by the Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force of the initial exploitation of the captured documents, the latter shall be delivered to the Director of Central Intelligence, who shall survey them for their intelligence potential to national security and catalogue, abstract, index, and translate such portions as are necessary to meet the general needs and specific requests of intelligence agencies."

b. Either

(1) Issue separate directives for the collection, exploitation, and dissemination of captured documents and the exploitation of foreign newspapers and periodicals, or

(2) Give separate headings to paragraphs 1 and 2.

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